



Boosting Apprenticeship Commencements

50% Wage Subsidies for Employing a New Apprentice or Trainee

The Boosting Apprenticeship Commencements (BAC) scheme is designed to support employers to engage more apprentices and trainees and is part of the COVID-19 economic recovery plan.

Looking to employ an apprentice or trainee?

You could be eligible for 50% Wage Subsidies

The new BAC subsidy is *in addition* to the Supporting Apprentices and Trainees (SAT) 50% wage subsidy for employers of apprentices and trainees who have been employed since July 1, 2020.

The aim is to encourage employment of apprentices or trainees over the eighteen month period.

Under the BAC scheme, employers of any size, location or industry will be eligible for a Federal Government subsidy of 50% of the wages for a new apprentice or trainee employed from October 5th 2020.

The subsidy applies for the period up to March 31, 2022 and is up to a maximum of \$7,000 per quarter. There are six quarters that employers can claim for and all claims must be submitted by December 31, 2022.

How to Register for the BAC

An eligible employer should advise of intent to claim the Boosting Apprenticeship Commencements using the Boosting Apprenticeship Commencements Registration Form during sign up of a new Australian Apprentice.

BUSY At Work, an Australian Apprenticeship Support Network provider can assist you with this during the sign up of your new apprentice or trainee.

Already employ an apprentice or trainee?

You may be eligible for the Supporting Apprentices and Trainees Subsidy (SATS) if your business:

- employs 199 or less employees
- has an apprentice or trainee that was in training between 1 July 2020 and 31 March, 2021
- was not receiving Job Keeper for your apprentice during the time you are claiming for the subsidy
- has an apprentice or trainee in any occupation, any industry, any qualification, any AQF level, full-time, part-time and school-based
- Can provide evidence of paid wages

NB: Employers of any size (including GTOs) that re-engage an eligible out-of-trade apprentice or trainee are also eligible for the subsidy.

For further information call 13 28 79 or email stimulusenquiries@busyatwork.com.au

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